

REMARKS

Summary of Office Action

Claims 1-3, 9, 11-13, 19 and 22 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over AAPA in view of Murade (US 6,297,862) and Kim et al., (US 5,339,181).

Claim 21 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over AAPA, Murade and Kim as applied to claims 1-3, 9, 11-13, 19 and 22 above, and further in view of Yanagawa et al. (US 65,266,117).

Summary of Amendment

Independent claims 1, 9, 11 and 19 have been amended. No new matter has been added. Claims 1-3, 9, 11-13, 19, 21 and 22 are pending in this application.

All Claims Comply With 35 U.S.C. §103

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Claim 21 stands rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over AAPA, Murade and Kim as applied to claims 1-3, 9, 11-13, 19 and 22 above, and further in view of Yanagawa et al. (US 65,266,117). Applicants respectfully traverse these rejections for the following reasons.

As amended, independent claims 1, 9, 11 and 19 recite, in part, a “a black matrix completely covering the thin film transistor and the storage capacitor at a boundary portion

between pixel areas.” (Emphasis added.) AAPA fails to teach or suggest at least such a feature. Further, Mudare and Kim does not cure the deficiencies of AAPA. Accordingly, Mudare and Kim, whether taken individually or in combination, fail to teach or suggest the features of claims 1, 9, 11 and 19 for at least the reasons stated above. Claims 2, 3, 21 and 22 depend from independent claim 1, and claims 12 and 13 depend from independent claim 11. Therefore, Mudare and Kim, whether taken individually or in combination, fail to teach or suggest the features of claims 2, 3, 12, 13, 21 and 22 for at least the reasons stated above. Accordingly, the §103 rejections to claims 1-3, 9, 11-13, 19 and 22 should be withdrawn.


CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, reconsideration and timely allowance of the pending claims are respectfully requested. Should the Examiner feel that there are any issues outstanding after consideration of the response, the Examiner is invited to contact the Applicants' undersigned representative to expedite prosecution.

If there are any other fees due in connection with the filing of this response, please charge the fees to our Deposit Account No. 50-0310. If a fee is required for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 not accounted for above, such an extension is requested and the fee should also be charged to our Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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